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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, the panchayat has nothing to do with the high school teachers.

Working hours of courts

* 16 *Q.*—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the hours of work fixed for Courts in the City of Madras;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that some of the Judicial Officers do not come at the appointed time; and

(*c*) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) The working hours of the Courts continue to be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(*b*) No, Sir.

(*c*) Does not arise.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Sir, is it a fact that some of the judicial officers in the City of Madras are not attending to court work at the appointed time resulting in hardship to the Advocates and others. Has any reprecentation in this matter been received by the Government?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : That is not so, Sir. But on receipt of this question, the Government made a reference to the High Court, and the information that we have got from the High Court is that there is no such thing.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : On what information did the High Court give its answer? Because, anybody inspecting the court at any time will find whether the judicial officers are actually in court. Was it only a report submitted by the individuals concerned?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I have no information about the basis on which the High Court collects information and furnishes it to Government.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ASSOCIATION OF THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WITH THE COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have received the following resolution from the Hon. Speaker, Madras Legislative Assembly, as passed by the Assembly, on the 24th April 1962 :—

'That this House recommends to the Legislative Council that they do nominate three members from the Council to associate with the Committee on Subordinate Legislation of this House for the financial year 1962–63 and to communicate to this House the names of the Members so nominated '.